



Brightside's NatureScape Grant Awards Fall, 2010

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Bellarmine University - \$1,492

Funds will be utilized to increase the sustainability of an existing garden plot by constructing compost bins, a vermiculture (earthworm-enhanced) composting system and rain water collection systems. These additions will reduce Bellarmine's waste stream and create fertile soil amendments.

Bloom Elementary - \$1,500

In conjunction with their on-site program, "Food is Elementary" Bloom will construct several garden themes within their outdoor classroom space. Categories include "Edible", "Historic", "Sensory", and "Butterfly"

Cane Run Road Elementary - \$1,000

With the help of neighborhood residents, Cane Run Elementary will build and manage a community garden as part of its environmental program. More than 80% of the students qualify for free/reduced lunch and will benefit from the harvest of healthy vegetables.

Fern Creek High School - \$1,330

Students will engage in hands-on learning as they manage and cultivate raised beds consisting of grapes vines, strawberries and thornless blackberries. The beds will be placed in higher traffic areas on campus, creating three "edible pathways" to the school. These pathways will allow students—more than 50% of whom are on free/reduced lunch-- to have access to fresh fruit as they approach school each day.

Portland Elementary - \$1,500

Grant funding will provide plants and seed starter kits for raised vegetable beds. The school will assign a raised bed to each grade level, from K-5. Students tend plants, observe and log growth progress, water and weed. The experience will create a hands-on learning opportunity in addition to supplying fresh produce for students—91% of whom qualify for free/reduced lunch-- to enjoy.

St. Raphael School - Parent-Teacher Organization - \$1,179

The school will enhance two existing vegetable gardens, add three more and build a compost bin. Program goals include creating education opportunities for students, developing green space, addressing childhood obesity and strengthening inter-generational relationships by involving students, parents and parishioners in the project.

YouthBuild Louisville - \$1,500

Funds will be utilized to begin the first phase of an urban orchard with the goals of building community, creating a more ecologically sustainable neighborhood and creating access to fresh, organic produce. Fruit trees will include apple, pear, cherry and peach. Students and neighborhood residents will provide maintenance and ongoing care.

